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HOUSE RESOLUTION 220 By Scroggs

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Germantown Middle School Pompon Squad on winning the Junior High Pom Division of the National Dance Team Championships.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted student-athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this state; and

WHEREAS, the Pompon Squad at Germantown Middle School is comprised of such estimable Tennesseans who recently won the Championship of the Junior High Pom Division of the National Dance Team Championships; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, dedication, and hard work, they maximized their considerable talents and reached the pinnacle of middle school athletics; and

WHEREAS, during the first week of February, the Germantown squad traveled to Orlando, Florida to compete against the best teams in the nation; they displayed unsurpassed spirit, skill, coordination, and athleticism, and earned recognition as the best of an elite group of competitors; and

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WHEREAS, these ladies have thus ensured that they will hold a singular position of honor in Germantown's rich athletic history; and

WHEREAS, the championship marked the triumphal conclusion of a stalwart effort that began many months ago with the team's conditioning workouts and intense practices; and

WHEREAS, the squad additionally performed admirably in the Junior High Jazz Division, placing seventh overall; and

WHEREAS, the tremendously talented members who earned the title of National Champions included Lindsey Joy, Kate Karre, Lindsey Luiken, Mallory Bell, Katie Rachel, Lee Allen, Mallory McGhee, Heather Zepponi, Katrina Levine, Katie Knight, Brooke Allen, Carla Colamonici, and Sarah Dodson; and

WHEREAS, the team was ably guided by Coach Brandi Aiken, who played an integral role in the team's unrivalled success by sharing her deep love and great knowledge of the sport, and the squad also received invaluable support from their devoted sponsor, JoAnn Laney; and

WHEREAS, these ladies epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete; they have achieved the highest level of success in sport, while evidencing the most circumspect character both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of these young ladies not only made possible a championship performance, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the Germantown Middle School Pompon Squad for their tremendous success and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we join the administration, faculty, staff, students, and fans of Germantown Middle School in celebrating the

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Pompon Squad's Championship in the Junior High Pom Division of the National Dance Team Championships, and we honor and commend the talented ladies who achieved this supreme success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish them much continued success and happiness in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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